## **Introduced by Senator Cedillo**

## February 10, 2005

An act to amend Section 2146 of the Elections Code, relating to voter registration.

## LEGISLATIVE COUNSEL'S DIGEST

SB 191, as introduced, Cedillo. Voter registration.

Existing law requires the Secretary of State to annually provide secondary education and specified post-secondary education campuses with a number of voter registration forms consistent with the number of students enrolled at each school. The Secretary is required to provide written notice with each form instructing students regarding voter eligibility and where to file the completed forms.

This bill would make technical, nonsubstantive changes to existing law

Vote: majority. Appropriation: no. Fiscal committee: no. State-mandated local program: no.

*The people of the State of California do enact as follows:* 

- 1 SECTION 1. Section 2146 of the Elections Code is amended 2 to read:
- 3 2146. (a) The Secretary of State shall annually provide every
- 4 high school, community college, and California State University,
- 5 and University of California campus with voter registration
- 6 forms. The number of forms shall be consistent with the number
- 7 of students enrolled at each school.
- 8 (b) The Secretary of State shall provide a written notice with
- 9 each registration form describing eligibility requirements and
- 10 informing each student that he or she may return the completed

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form in person or by mail to the elections official of the county in which the student resides.

(c) It is the intent of the Legislature that every high school and college student receive a voter registration card with his or her diploma. It is also the intent of the Legislature that every school do all in its power to ensure that students are provided the opportunity and means to register to vote. This may include providing voter registration forms at the start of the school year, including voter registration forms with orientation materials, placing voter registration forms at central locations, and including voter registration forms with graduation materials.